

FIFTH DISTRICT.

Sabine, Shelby, and San Augustine counties; Shelby the returning county.—Stephen W. Blount, jr., of San Augustine, was born in that place April 3, 1854. His father, Col. S. W. Blount, sr., was an early Texas pioneer, and is one of the few surviving signers of the Declaration of Texan Independence. Mr. Blount received a collegiate education at the Kentucky Military Institute and the University of Virginia, and in 1876 graduated in law at Cumberland University; commenced practice in the same year at his native town; elected to the House November 1882, as a Democrat, by a majority of 763 votes over Pickard, Greenbacker.